

for damages in the courts, as here-  
tofore.  
Authorizing the settlement of various  
tax bills delinquent and improperly  
assessed. Approved.  
Fixing the salary of the Police Justice  
at \$2,500 per annum, a raise from \$2,400.  
Approved.  
Requiring a license for the manufac-  
ture, storage, sale and use within the  
limits of the city of Richmond of com-  
bustible explosives or dangerous ma-  
terials. Approved.  
Resolving that any person from manu-  
facturing, selling or using any scales,  
balances, steel yards, weights or mea-  
sures not of standard measure. Approved.  
Requiring the street railway company  
to sprinkle the streets along the line of  
their tracks. Approved.

#### New Committee.

Providing for the appointment of a  
joint standing committee of the City  
Council, to be known as the Committee on  
Appointment of Expenditures in An-  
nexed Territory, and to define the duties  
of said committee. Approved.

Authorizing the appointment of a  
special joint committee of four members  
of the Common Council and three mem-  
bers of the Board of Aldermen to in-  
quire into and ascertain the amount of  
salary, commissions or other compensa-  
tion received by the various officers and  
employees of the city government. Ap-  
proved.

Requesting the Mayor to report why  
he has not taken steps to require the  
heads of the city departments to sub-  
mit their annual reports, within the  
time prescribed by law. Approved.

Authorizing the transfer to the City  
School Board of the property acquired  
by the city as a site for the new High  
School Building. Approved.

Authorizing the appointment of a  
special committee, to be composed  
of three members of the Common  
Council and two members of the  
Board of Aldermen to inquire and re-  
port whether the Committee on Fi-  
nance has violated the charter of the  
city of Richmond or any ordinance or  
resolutions passed in pursuance  
thereof in the matter of authorizing  
or making up the appropriation or-  
dinance for 1907, also to the recent  
destruction of certain city bonds, and  
also to investigate and report on any  
other action of the Committee on Fi-  
nance that they may deem pertinent.  
Voted.

Providing for the construction of a  
sewer on Ninth Street, between Main  
and Bank, and on Bank Street, be-  
tween Ninth and Tenth, the expense  
of which is to be paid by Joseph  
Brann, the same to be reimbursed  
when there are funds available for  
this purpose. Voted.

Granting permission to the East  
End Box and Lumber Company to use  
soft coal and shavings as fuel at their  
plant. Voted.

#### NEARING ITS CLOSE.

Annual Conference of United  
Brethren Church.

EDINBURGH, Va., March 16.—The  
one hundred and eighth annual ses-  
sion of Virginia Conference of the  
United Brethren Church which has  
been in session here since Wednesday  
is nearing its close. The principal  
business was completed this afternoon,  
and Bishop Mills will announce the ap-  
pointment of ministers for the coming  
sessions to-morrow immediately after  
the morning services.

The conference decided to meet next  
year at Keyser, Md. The time of this  
meeting of conference was changed to  
the third Wednesday in March.  
The following trustees of the school  
were elected: J. N. Garber, president;  
A. S. Hammack, G. P. Holt, J. A. Bell,  
A. P. Funkhouser, J. C. Smithers, G. B.  
Fidelity, F. M. Smith, Jr., Dr. D. B.  
Good, Benj. Graver, J. P. Millard and  
J. H. Ruebush.

Addresses were made by several  
former colleagues in the body.

Rev. D. A. Funkhouser, president of  
Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa.,  
presented his report. The following  
trustees were elected: J. N. Fares, O.  
W. Stover, J. N. Garber, A. P. Funk-  
houser, Rev. K. Ludwig and A. S. Ham-  
mack. Rev. C. J. Racey and B. N.  
Sibell were advanced from first to the  
second year's course of reading.

Rev. J. W. Bull completed the fourth  
year course. Rev. E. W. McMuller was  
advanced to membership in the con-  
ference and will be ordained to-mor-  
row. Reports from the various com-  
mittees show that nearly \$50,000 had  
been raised during the year for general  
purposes.

#### Personals and Briefs.

Mr. Jno. L. Daley, roadmaster for  
the Virginia Passenger and Power  
Company, has just returned to the city  
from North Carolina, where he has  
been attending to business for the com-  
pany.

Katherine Elizabeth Goodwin, the in-  
fant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon  
S. Goodwin, continues to improve un-  
der the skillful care of Dr. E. J. Mos-  
cote, Jr.

Miss Tessie Kraker, of Newark, N. J.,  
is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. William  
Friedberg, of this city.

Mr. C. P. Smithers has returned from  
a two weeks' visit to New York and  
Buffalo.

Mrs. W. A. Gates, of No. 1813 East  
Grace Street, who has been sick for  
some time, is slowly improving.

#### "Berry's for Clothes"

—the distinguishing sort.



The Top Coat this Spring we  
have in so many different  
styles that we can please  
everybody and any body.  
If you disliked it formerly on  
account of its shortness, here  
are some that are 48 inches.  
If you never liked the tan-  
ners are blacks and grays.  
If you object to the straight  
back here are curved ones.  
We can cover every old ob-  
jection and cover you in style.  
\$18 to \$38.

New Hat time.  
Turn in here at hat head-  
quarters.  
Whether it's a derby or one  
of our new telescope styles you  
prefer—you'll find just the one  
most desired in our stock.  
\$2.50 up.

**O. H. Berry & Co.**  
MEN'S & BOYS' CLOTHES  
Successors to the Merchant Tailors.

#### MIDGET MURDERER IN PENNSYLVANIA

Negro Now Awaiting Trial for  
Killing Alexandria Man Wanted  
in Phoenixville.

ALEXANDRIA, Va., March 16.—Ac-  
cording to a letter received by the  
chief of police this morning from J. J. Carter,  
chief of police of Phoenixville, Pa., Wil-  
liam Johnson, alias George Midget, col-  
ored, who is now confined at the jail  
at Fredericksburg, Va., on a charge of  
murdering Charles T. Smith, which oc-  
curred in this city October 20, 1906, John-  
son is also wanted by the authorities at  
Phoenixville, Pa., on a charge of the  
murder of Max E. Riker, of that city, which  
occurred on the night of February 11,  
1906. As Johnson is now in Virginia ju-  
risdiction, he will, of course, be tried  
here. The chief in his letter stated that  
he was of the opinion that Johnson would  
be convicted here, Johnson was recently  
brought from Harrisburg, Pa., by the  
local police, having been arrested there  
some time ago. The local police are con-  
gratulating themselves on having secured  
him, otherwise it is thought he would  
be tried by the Pennsylvania authorities.

In a warrant, which accompanies the  
letter, Fred Wiles, colored, is also charged  
with the murder. Fred Wiles is none  
other than Frank Minor, alias Frank  
Robinson, under indictment in this city  
for a murderous assault on Policeman  
A. J. Nicholson, which occurred on the  
Fair Grounds an hour previous to the  
Smith murder. Minor and Johnson were  
pals; they traveled together while in this  
city.

An account of the murder, from a news-  
paper, accompanied the letter, which  
described the murder as being one of the  
most atrocious that has occurred there  
in recent years. It appeared that the  
two men entered Elkins's bakery, and  
after robbing one of the bakers, Nathan  
Levy, of \$3, went to the room occupied  
by Elkins and his wife and three chil-  
dren, and the wife of Elkins was aroused  
and made an outcry. One of the negroes  
fired two shots at Elkins, killing him in-  
stantly. He also fired two shots at El-  
kins's wife, but the cartridges refused to  
explode, and the men then decamped. El-  
kins's death was instantaneous.

Mr. Riddle Badly Hurt.

CHURCH ROAD, Va., March 16.—  
Mr. J. E. Riddle was hurt quite badly  
last night in getting off of the train.  
He struck his shoulder and dislocated  
it. Dr. B. C. Jones is attending him.

#### EIGHTEEN LOST BECAUSE OF FIRE

Explosion Occurred in Flooded  
Pottery Works and People  
Jump Into the Water.

#### HEROIC WORK OF FIREMEN

Victims Are All Syrians, Who,  
Terrified, Refuse to Return  
to Their Homes.

WHEELING, W. Va., March 16.—  
Eighteen persons are known to have lost  
their lives in the early morning fire that  
occurred today at the plant of the War-  
wick Pottery Company, which is located  
in the flooded district.

Following is a partial list of those who  
were drowned:  
Mike Bretlow, aged thirty, store-  
keeper; Rosa Bertasi, aged twenty-two,  
single; Elias Mitchell, aged eighteen  
months; Allen Bertasi, aged two years;  
Frank Holmes, watchman at the pot-  
tery; Simon Elias, proprietor of dry  
goods store; Julia Moses, aged seven  
years; Walter Moses, aged four years;  
Charles Matthews, watchman.

Because of the water surrounding  
the burned district, it was impossible  
for the fire apparatus to reach the  
scene. The firemen pressed into ser-  
vice all the boats that could be se-  
cured, and carried the lines of hose to  
the burning building by this means.  
They did heroic work, and not only  
fought the fire, but assisted in res-  
cuing many persons.

The crew of the boat that was  
moored across the river from the build-  
ing, managed to saw and rescued about  
100 persons.

The men were offered all kinds of  
rewards and big sums of money for  
the work they had done, but they  
refused to accept a cent. At times the  
big yawl was filled to overflowing,  
and it was with difficulty that the  
firemen prevented the frantic Syrians  
from jumping the craft.

Screams Heard a Mile.

During the progress of the fire the  
scene was most frightful. The screams  
for help of those in the buildings could  
be heard as far as the steel bridge, a  
mile north, where thousands of per-  
sons, unable to lend any assistance,  
watched the blaze.

The work of rescuing the bodies of  
those who were drowned has been go-  
ing on all day. The current has been  
very swift and the impression is that  
more bodies will be recovered when  
the flood subsides.

The buildings occupied by unfortu-  
nate victims were not touched by the  
flames. The explosion that started the  
fire is what terrified the people living  
in the vicinity.

No sooner had the report of the ex-  
plosion occurred than people com-  
menced leaping from the windows into  
the water. All of those who met death  
were drowned by jumping into the water.  
Five of them were drowned by upsetting  
of a boat that was carrying them to a  
place of safety.

The survivors of the persons living in  
the vicinity of the wholesale store-  
houses are Syrians, and after the fire they  
refused to return to their homes.  
They are being taken care of in the  
City Hall and county jail. There is  
scarcely a family that did not lose a  
member and the survivors are frantic.

#### RICHMOND MAN STEALS VALISES

Says He Is from Richmond, But  
Refuses to Tell His Father's  
Name.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NASHVILLE, TENN., March 16.—E.  
O. Ringland, claiming to be the son  
of a wealthy manufacturer in Rich-  
mond, is in jail here, charged with  
stealing suit cases from the local  
hotel. When arrested, Ringland was  
trying to sell the contents of one of the  
suit cases to negroes in the outskirts  
of the city. One of the grips was  
later identified by W. G. Burris, a  
traveling salesman. The other grip  
has not been identified.

Ringland says he has lived in Wash-  
ington most of the time lately, but  
more recently was a member of the  
Gay New York theatrical company,  
having been discharged from the com-  
pany here.

After spending a few hours in jail,  
Ringland appears to have come to his  
senses, and now contends that he was  
drunk when he took the grips. He  
refused to say who his father is in  
Richmond.

#### Young Whitley Dies.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
TAYLOR, Va., March 16.—Willie  
Reese Whitley, the sixteen-year-old boy  
who was shot by Howard Harman here  
yesterday, died in a Bluefield, W. Va.,  
hospital this afternoon.

#### THE WEATHER

Forecast: Virginia—Partly cloudy  
and warmer Sunday; Monday fair,  
winds mostly south.  
North Carolina—Fair, warmer Sun-  
day; Monday fair, colder in extreme  
west portion; fresh east to south winds.

CONDITIONS YESTERDAY.  
Richmond's weather was clear and  
cooler. Range of the thermometer:  
8 A. M. .... 61 6 P. M. .... 60  
9 A. M. .... 61 7 P. M. .... 58  
3 P. M. .... 64 8 P. M. .... 56  
Average .... 67.4

Highest temperature yesterday ..... 61  
Lowest temperature yesterday ..... 58  
Mean temperature yesterday ..... 59  
Mean temperature yesterday ..... 47  
Departure from normal temperature, 01

CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.  
(At 8 P. M. Eastern Time.)

City	Ther.	Wind	Clouds
Asheville, N. C.	50	50	Cloudy
Augusta, Ga.	52	50	Cloudy
Atlanta, Ga.	52	50	Cloudy
Birmingham, Ala.	52	50	Cloudy
Buffalo, N. Y.	45	52	Clear
Chicago, Ill.	54	50	Clear
Cincinnati, O.	54	50	Clear
Cleveland, O.	54	50	Clear
Davenport, Ia.	54	50	Clear
Dayton, O.	54	50	Clear
Harrisburg, Pa.	54	50	Clear
Jacksonville, Fla.	61	64	Rain
Kansas City, Mo.	54	58	Clear
Mobile, Ala.	54	58	Clear
New Orleans, La.	68	74	Cloudy
Oklahoma City, Ok.	61	72	P. cloudy
Pittsburgh, Pa.	58	62	Clear
Raleigh, N. C.	58	62	Clear
Savannah, Ga.	58	62	Rain
Tampa, Fla.	58	62	Clear
Washington, D. C.	50	52	Clear
Wilmington, Del.	54	62	Clear
Yellowstone, W. T.	32	36	Rain

MINIATURE ALMANAC, 1907.  
Sun rises ..... 6:18  
Sun sets ..... 6:18  
Moon sets ..... 9:23  
HIGH TIDE.  
Morning ..... 7:00  
Evening ..... 7:22

#### REUNION FUND IS SLOWLY GROWING

It was quite obvious from the many  
small contributions to the Confederate  
Reunion fund which came in yesterday  
that the general public is growing  
deeply interested in the great gath-  
ering of "Marse Robert's boys," which  
will take place in this city May 30th.  
The total subscriptions of the day  
amounted to \$138, and in many cases  
the contributions were only a dollar.  
This display of good feeling on the  
part of people whose means do not  
justify them in giving more is decid-  
edly encouraging to the veterans.  
Every cent will do its part and con-  
tribute to the success of the reunion,  
which promises to be the most notable  
of old soldiers have ever had.

Yesterday's list of contributors is  
as follows:

Morgan R. Mills	\$5.00
John L. Ladd	2.00
H. L. Strang	2.00
Hendley & Walker	1.00
Sam Reynolds	1.00
R. E. Jones & Co.	1.00
Sam Heltzer	1.00
S. D. Craig	1.00
R. H. Hardesty Co.	5.00
G. T. W. Kern	1.00
Adam Schmidt	2.00
H. A. Shelton	1.00
W. F. Eickes	5.00
J. Gregory Vinegar Co.	5.00
J. Henry Patterson, Jr.	3.00
A. Royal Turpin	2.00
R. W. Williams	2.00
J. B. Boehling	2.00
D. M. Blair	1.00
C. G. Lott	1.00
H. L. Thredercraft	2.00
W. H. Felthaus	2.00
John T. Witt	2.00
E. J. Lovell	1.00
C. M. Ferrell	1.00
Lewis H. Blair, Jr.	2.00
R. T. Hancock	2.00
L. T. Hicks	2.00
A. H. Felthaus	5.00
T. E. O'Keefe	5.00
P. J. Giles	5.00
R. F. Holstead	2.00
Langhorne Putney	10.00
W. B. Sutton	2.00
M. A. A. Wilkinson	1.00
"Anonymous"	5.00
A. V. Russell	5.00
J. J. Collins	1.00
L. H. Jenkins	10.00
R. N. Gross	2.50
H. H. Wood	5.00
J. Boyd Blair	5.00
James McGraw	5.00
B. M. Gwathmey	5.00

Previously acknowledged... \$138.07

Total to date.....\$138.07

#### MRS. McDONALD WILL IN PRISON

Doesn't Recognize Her Husband  
or Members of Her  
Family.

CHICAGO, ILL., March 16.—Mrs.  
Dora McDonald, the wife of Michael  
C. McDonald, was to-day held to  
await the action of the grand jury on  
the charge of murdering Webster S.  
Gearing on February 21st.

The preliminary hearing was held  
in the cell of Mrs. McDonald in the  
county jail, her attorneys having de-  
clared to Judge Newcomer that her  
health would be imperiled if she was  
compelled to appear in court.

During the evidence Mrs. McDonald  
showed little understanding of the  
proceedings, and apparently was not  
able to recognize her husband or other  
members of her family.

Judge Newcomer declined to admit  
the prisoner to bail.

#### SHOOTING AFFAIR DURING STRIKE AT IRON MILLS

HAMMOND, IND., March 16.—In a  
striking incident today at the East Chicago  
mill of the Republic Iron and Steel  
Company several men were shot and  
two probably fatally injured. The  
trouble started when fifty laborers  
tried to break through the gates of the  
plant for higher wages. Twenty of  
the latter went back to work, and the  
remaining thirty broke through the  
gates of the steel plant to get at their  
companions.

A bloody riot followed, in which a  
hundred men were fired.

Nesbo Zeevich, a foreman, was shot  
through the shoulders. The wound will  
probably cause his death. John Kalini,  
a laborer, was shot and beaten prob-  
ably fatally. Several other foreigners  
were injured by knife thrusts and bul-  
lets. Jackson and four others were  
killed and ended the riot.

T. P. A. Meeting Off.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)  
NORFOLK, Va., March 16.—The big  
meeting of the T. P. A. for the celebra-  
tion of the centennial of the signing of  
the Declaration of Independence, called  
off by President Barksdale, of

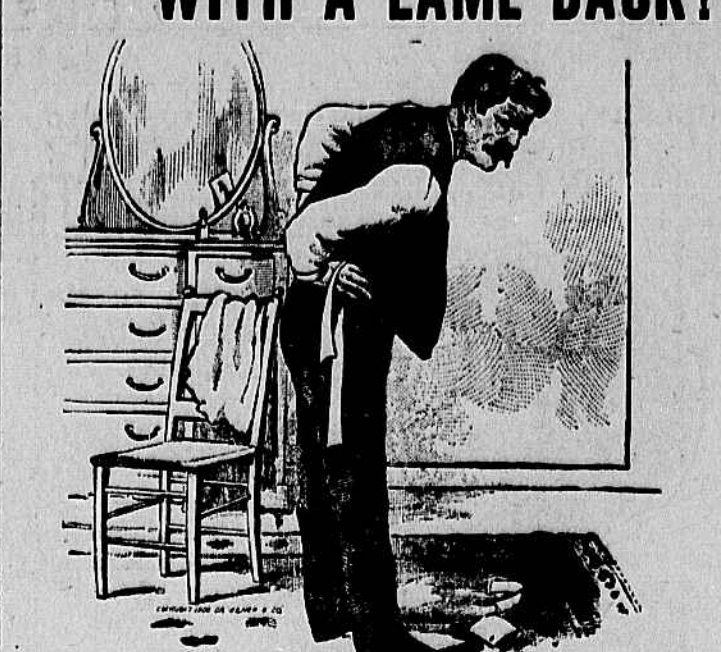
#### A Steady Drain

Sick Kidneys Weaken the Whole Body.

Make You Ill, Languid and Depressed.  
Sick kidneys weaken the body  
through the continual drainage of life-  
giving albumen from the blood into  
the urine, and the substitution of poi-  
sonous uric acid for that good blood  
through the system, sowing the seeds  
of disease. Loss of albumen causes  
weakness, languor, depression. Uric  
poisoning causes rheumatic pain, ner-  
vousness, muscular cricks and head-  
aches, gravel and kidney stones. The proper  
treatment is a kidney treatment, and  
the best remedy is Doan's Kidney Pills.  
Great Richmond cures prove it.

J. H. Raul, manager of the Colonial Tobacco  
Factory, residence 900 W. Clay Street,  
Richmond, Va., says: "Doan's Kidney  
Pills, procured at Owens & Minor's  
drug store, brought me more genuine  
results than any other remedy I ever  
used for kidney complaint. For two  
years I had attacks of sharp pain  
across the loins. They generally start-  
ed with a dull aching, which after over-  
exertion became very acute, and de-  
cidedly so after the contraction of a  
cold, which weakened my kidneys and  
brought on too frequent action of the  
kidney secretions. I made up my mind  
to try Doan's Kidney Pills, and I was  
about Doan's Kidney Pills that it was  
what was said about them were true,  
help would surely follow their use, and  
I went to Owens & Minor's drug store  
for a box. The aching completely  
ceased after a continuation of their use.  
I am more than pleased with the re-  
sults obtained from the use of this val-  
uable preparation. For sale by all  
druggists. Price 50 cents a box. Post-  
paid. Doan's Kidney Pills, Richmond,  
Va., sole agents for the United States.  
It neither the name 'Doan's' and  
take no other.

#### DO YOU GET UP WITH A LAME BACK?



Have You Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver or  
Bladder Trouble?

To Prove What Swamp-Root, the Great Kidney, Liver  
and Bladder Remedy, will do for YOU, all our  
Readers May Have a Sample Bottle Sent Free by Mail.

Pain or dull ache in the back is unmis-  
takable evidence of kidney trouble. It is  
Nature's timely warning to show you  
that the kidneys are not clear.

If these danger signals are unheeded,  
more serious results are often sure to fol-  
low; Bright's disease, which is the worst  
form of kidney trouble, may steal upon  
you.

The mild and immediate effect of  
Swamp-Root, the great kidney and  
bladder remedy, is soon realized. It  
blends the highest, because its remark-  
able curative power has been proven in  
thousands of the most distressing cases.  
If you need a medicine, you should have  
the best. A thorough trial will convince  
any one.

LAME BACK.

Lame back is only one of many symp-  
toms of kidney trouble. Other symptoms  
showing that you need Swamp-Root are,  
being obliged to pass water often during  
the day and to get up many times during  
the night, inability to hold your urine,  
smarting or irritation in passing, brick-  
stone urine.

EDITORIAL NOTE.—In order to prove the  
wonderful merits of Swamp-Root,  
you may have a sample bottle and a book of valuable information, both sent abso-  
lutely free by mail. The book contains  
many of the thousands upon thousands of  
testimonial letters received from men and women who found Swamp-Root to be  
just the remedy they needed. The value and success of Swamp-Root are so well  
known that our readers are advised to send for a sample bottle. In sending your  
address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y., be sure to say you read this  
offer in the Richmond Sunday Times-Dispatch. The genuineness of this  
offer is guaranteed.

the local post, and the Richmond dele-  
gates were notified not to come.

Fell Down Steps.

Georgiana Booker, a colored girl,  
fell down the steps at her home, No.  
113 West Cary Street, yesterday even-  
ing, and broke both bones in her fore-  
arm. She was attended by Dr. Mason,  
of the city, who set the broken  
limb and left her comfortable.

ORITUARY.

Mother Mary Zena.

Mother superior Mary Zena, who was  
in charge of the Franciscan Convent  
at St. Paul's, died in the convent  
yesterday morning at 11  
o'clock, in the forty-third year of her  
age.

Mother Zena was born in Ireland  
about forty-three years ago. She lived  
in New York for many years and en-  
gaged in mission work in that city.  
She came here about five years ago and  
became head of the Franciscan Con-  
vent.

Mother Zena leaves a number of rela-  
tives, some of whom live in the North.  
She was a devoted and noble woman,  
devoted to the Catholic mission and  
among those who were called "Aunt  
Annie" by the colored people. Her  
work among the colored people here  
endears her to them and she will be  
greatly missed. Her gentle and  
cheerful disposition made many in-  
mates of the institution which she  
managed.

The funeral will take place at 9  
o'clock to-morrow morning from St.  
Joseph's Catholic Church, First Street,  
between Jackson and Duval Streets.  
The Catholic priests of the city will  
conduct the services. The burial will  
be in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Sister Ann Maria.

The funeral of Sister Ann Maria, who  
for fifty years was in charge of the  
St. Joseph's Asylum, took place  
from the chapel of the institution yester-  
day morning. The services were con-  
ducted by the Rev. Father Butler. The Xave-  
rian brothers acted as pall-bearers, and  
the interment was made in Mount Calvary  
Cemetery.

Sister Maria's death has caused pro-  
found sorrow among the inmates of the  
institution in which she labored. She  
was a devoted and noble woman, and  
her death, when she contracted pneu-  
monia, which proved fatal. She was  
under the treatment of Dr. Coleman, who  
was unable to prolong her life, but  
her weakened vitality and are rendered  
her condition beyond medical aid.